Manitoba Cull Animal Program (MCAP)

Purpose:

• provides assistance to Manitoba producers who own breeding herds and are affected by the closure of the US border due to Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy (BSE)

Eligibility:

• Manitoba taxpayers or equivalent corporate entities who owned a breeding herd (Breeding Female Inventory) on September 1, 2003

Breeding Female Inventory:

• female breeding stock for beef, dairy, bison, elk, deer, sheep, and goats
• beef and dairy cows must be at least 30 months of age
• bison, elk, and deer must be at least 36 months of age
• sheep and goats must be at least 12 months of age
• OR, for all of the above, female breeding stock that have already had an offspring are also eligible

Note: For this program, bred heifers, bulls, etc. are not considered part of the breeding female inventory.

Herd Registration:

• producers are required to register their breeding herds to determine their September 1, 2003 inventory. This information is then used to calculate program payments.
• the deadline to register the inventory is February 2, 2004
• registration forms will be mailed to producers who participated in any of the Manitoba BSE programs. If you have not received a form by January 9, 2004, they are available at your local MCIC agency office, local agricultural office or from the Manitoba Agriculture, Food, and Rural Initiatives (MAFRI) website at : www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture
• registration forms are to be submitted to the nearest Manitoba Crop Insurance Corporation agency office

Note: All registrations are subject to verification by program administrators.

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Payments:

- program payments are based on a percentage (cull rate) of your September 1, 2003 eligible breeding female inventory as declared on your registration form
- after the registration deadline the value per head, up to the maximum, will be established based on available funding
- payments will be as follows:
  - ⇨beef and bison will be paid up to $100 per head for 8% of your breeding female inventory
  - ⇨dairy will be paid up to $100 per head for 16% of your breeding female inventory
  - ⇨sheep, goats, and deer will be paid up to $25 per head for 12% of your breeding female inventory
  - ⇨elk will be paid up to $50 per head for 8% of your breeding female inventory
- your payment will equal the cull percentage multiplied by your breeding female inventory as of September 1, 2003 (to one decimal place) multiplied by the value per head. For example, if the value per head is made at the maximum rate, a beef producer with 110 cows (over 30 months of age) would receive a payment of $880 (110 head x 8% = 8.8 cows x $100/cow = $880)
- the number of cull animals eligible for this program will be reduced by any breeding females that producers were paid for under the Manitoba Slaughter Deficiency Program (MSDP). Using the above example, if a producer received payment under MSDP for 3 cows, the payment under this program would then be $580 (110 cows x 8% = 8.8 - 3 cows = 5.8 x $100/cow)
- your payment will be mailed after the registration process has been completed for all producers

Registration Deadline:

- breeding female inventories must be registered with Manitoba Crop Insurance Corporation (MCIC) by **February 2, 2004** to qualify for a payment under this program

Note: This information sheet contains general information only. In all cases, the Terms and Conditions shall prevail.

Manitoba Cull Animal Program (MCAP)
Program Terms and Conditions

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1 Purpose:
The purpose of the Program is to provide assistance to Manitoba producers who own breeding herds and are affected by the closure of the US border due to BSE.

2 Definitions:

2.1 **Breeding Female Inventory** means Beef, Bison, Dairy, Sheep, Goats and Cervids that are the required age as of September 1, 2003 and are owned by the applicant as of September 1, 2003, with further definitions as follows:

2.1.1 **Beef** means beef cows that are over 30 months of age or cows that have had at least one offspring as of September 1, 2003;

2.1.2 **Bison** means bison cows that are over 36 months of age or cows that have had at least one offspring as of September 1, 2003;

2.1.3 **Dairy** means dairy cows over 30 months of age or cows that have had a calf as of September 1, 2003 and have come from a herd producing milk for commercial dairy processing;

2.1.4 **Sheep** means ewes over 12 months of age or ewes that have had at least one lamb as of September 1, 2003;

2.1.5 **Goats** means does over 12 months of age or does that have had at least one kid as of September 1, 2003;

2.1.6 **Cervids** means deer and elk, where the elk are "game production animals" under *The Livestock Industry Diversification Act (Manitoba)* and that have been continuously on a licensed game production farm in Manitoba since May 20, 2003, and are does and cows over 36 months of age or does and cows that have had at least one offspring as of September 1, 2003.

2.2 **Maximum Cull Animals** means 8% of the Breeding Female Inventory for Beef and Bison, 16% of the Breeding Female Inventory for Dairy, 12% of the Breeding Female Inventory for Goats and Sheep, 8% of the Breeding Female Inventory for Elk and 12% of the Breeding Female Inventory for Deer.

2.3 **Minister** means the Minister of Manitoba Agriculture, Food and Rural Initiatives or her authorized representatives, which includes, but is not limited to, MCAP administrators.

2.4 **Program** means the Manitoba Cull Animal Program (MCAP).

2.5 **Registration Form** means the form used by the applicant to register the Breeding Female Inventory. This Registration Form will also be used for the purpose of administering the Canada Cull Animal Program.

3 Eligibility:

3.1 An eligible applicant is one who:

a) has owned the Breeding Female Inventory listed on the Registration Form as of September 1, 2003;

b) under *The Income Tax Act (Manitoba)*, would be liable to pay Manitoba income tax or corporate tax, or is specifically exempted from paying income tax but is a permanent resident of the Province of Manitoba;

3.2 Where an owner of the Breeding Female Inventory has a lease agreement for such things as feeding and boarding, the registration must be made in the name of the livestock owner. The applicant must disclose the name of the other producer involved with the ownership or care of these animals.

3.3 Any of the following that meet the specifications of 3.1 may apply: individuals, partnerships, corporations and communes.

3.4 Research stations, universities and other government funded agencies are not eligible.

4 Applications:

4.1 Applicants are required to register their Breeding Female Inventory by no later than midnight February 2, 2004, by sending the required Registration Form to their local Manitoba Crop Insurance Corporation agency office.

4.2 Applications are limited to eligible applicants as provided for in 3.1.

5 Signatures:
Designates are not permitted to sign application forms unless they have duly authorized powers of attorney, as evidenced by attaching a copy of the powers of attorney.

6 Verification:

6.1 The applicant consents to the Minister releasing any information that is contained in the Program application form or is obtained by the Minister in the course of verifying or auditing the information provided in the application form, to any other government department, agency or third party for the purposes of verifying this application or determining the applicant's eligibility for this Program or any other related programs, or both. The applicant expressly authorizes the Minister to obtain information from any government department, agency or third party to verify the contents of the application form or any other information provided under this Program, and to determine the applicant's eligibility for this Program or any other related programs.

6.2 The applicant agrees to give the Minister access to examine their farming or business operations. The applicant agrees to make available to the Minister all farm records, books of account, and income tax returns necessary to audit or verify any information provided under the Program.

7 Payments:

7.1 Eligible applicants will receive a payment based on the Maximum Cull Animals, less the number of the same type of breeding female animals compensated for under the Manitoba Slaughter Deficiency Program, multiplied by the maximum per head payment as follows:

- Beef, Dairy and Bison ..... up to $100/head
- Elk ..... up to $50/head
- Deer, Sheep and Goats ..... up to $25/head

7.2 The Minister has the absolute discretion to reduce or prorate the maximum per head payment based on funding requirements.

7.3 Applicants cannot assign or defer any payment.

7.4 Tax slips as required under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) will be issued in the name of the applicant.

8 Termination of Program:

8.1 The Minister may terminate the Program in whole or in part any time without prior notice to applicants if:

a) the Minister determines, at her discretion, that the Program shall be altered or terminated; or

b) there are insufficient funds to continue the Program as contemplated.

8.2 The Program will terminate at midnight February 2, 2004.

9 Refunds:

Applicants agree to refund to the Province of Manitoba any payment received under this Program that is not in accordance with the Program Terms and Conditions, within 30 days of notice being provided to them. Failure to make such repayment creates a debt owing to the Crown in Right of Manitoba that can be set off against any money the Crown owes to the applicant. Interest on overpayments will be charged an annual rate of 6.75%.

10 False or Misleading Information:

Applicants who provide false or misleading information under this Program forego all rights to any Program benefit for which the applicant would otherwise be eligible and are liable to repay all Program payments received, and may be subject to prosecution.

11 Ministerial Discretion:

The Minister has the absolute discretion to determine any payments under this Program notwithstanding the Program Terms and Conditions.

12 Debts to Government or Third Parties:

The Minister has the right to deduct from the applicant's entitlement any amount due and owing to the Province of Manitoba, the Government of Canada, or both.

13 No Liability:

The applicant acknowledges that neither the Province of Manitoba or the Minister are liable to the applicant, the applicant's heirs, administrators and assigns for the personal injury, property damage, or any other damage, injury, claim or loss whatsoever arising out of this Program and the applicant's participation in it.

14 Representations and Warranties:

14.1 The applicant represents and warrants that the person signing the application form and any other program documentation is duly authorized to bind the applicant, and, in the case of a partnership, bind the partners to these Program Terms and Conditions on the basis of joint liability.

14.2 The applicant represents that no application has been made for an animal that either has been or will be applied for by another applicant.

15 Appeals:

An appeal process may be established by the Minister.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

MANITOBA CULL ANIMAL PROGRAM

Question 1: **Why did the provincial government offer the Manitoba Cull Animal Program instead of participating in the Canada Cull Animal Program?**

Answer: The Canada Cull Animal Program requires producers to market their cull animals for slaughter before compensation is paid. Manitoba is concerned that the slaughter requirement may have a negative effect on the price of cull animals. We also continue to be concerned that tying the payment to slaughter may disadvantage producers if they cannot access slaughter facilities. Therefore, we chose to provide our compensation through the Manitoba Cull Animal Program. Manitoba's program does not require animals to be slaughtered for producers to receive their program payment.

Question 2: **Who is eligible for the Manitoba Cull Animal Program?**

Answer: Manitoba taxpayers or equivalent corporate entities who owned eligible livestock on September 1, 2003. The owner is the person who holds title to the eligible livestock. Program payments are based on a percentage (cull rate) of your eligible herd or flock.

Question 3: **What animals are eligible under the program?**

Answer: Female breeding stock for beef, dairy, bison, elk, deer, sheep, and goat. Beef and dairy cows must be at least 30 months of age. Bison must be at least 36 months of age. Sheep and goats must be at least 12 months of age. Elk and deer must be at least 36 months of age. Female breeding stock that have already had an offspring are also eligible.

Animals that are on a backgrounder program or on feed in preparation for slaughter do not qualify.

Question 4: **What percent of the herd is eligible?**

Answer: 8% of your eligible female beef breeding herds (cows over 30 months and those cows that have had at least one offspring) based on your breeding herd as of September 1, 2003.

16% of your eligible female dairy herds (cows over 30 months and those cows that have had at least one offspring) based on your breeding herd as of September 1, 2003.

8% of your eligible female bison breeding herds (cows over 36 months and those cows that have had at least one offspring) based on your breeding herd as of September 1, 2003.

12% of your eligible female sheep and goat herds (ewes over 12 months and those females that have had at least one offspring) based on your breeding herd as of September 1, 2003.

8% of your eligible female elk breeding herds (females over 36 months and those females that have had at least one offspring) based on your breeding herd as of September 1, 2003.

12% of your eligible female deer breeding herds (females over 36 months and those females that have had at least one offspring) based on your breeding herd as of September 1, 2003.

Question 5: When does the program terminate?

Answer: Breeding herds must be registered with Manitoba Crop Insurance Corporation (MCIC) by **February 2, 2004** to qualify for a payment under the program. MCIC will be providing administration of the program.

Question 6: What are the payments under this program?

Answer: Payments under the Manitoba Cull Animal Program will be as follows:

Beef	for 8% of your eligible herd*	Up to $100 per head
Dairy	for 16% of your eligible herd*	Up to $100 per head
Bison	for 8% of your eligible herd*	Up to $100 per head
Sheep	for 12% of your eligible herd*	Up to $25 per head
Goats	for 12% of your eligible herd*	Up to $25 per head
Elk	for 8% of your eligible herd*	Up to $50 per head
Deer	for 12% of your eligible herd*	Up to $25 per head

* at September 1, 2003.

Payments will be issued based on your program registration information. MCIC will be conducting spot audits to verify registration information. The culling percentages are based on the culling rate used in the Canada Cull Animal Program.

After the application deadline, MCIC will be determining whether available funding is sufficient to make payments at the maximum per head rate. Per head amounts may be reduced to stay within available funding.

Your payment will equal the cull percentage times your breeding herd number (to one decimal place) times the final per head payment. For

example if the per head payment is made at the maximum rate, a beef producer with a breeding herd of 110 head (over 30 months of age) would receive a payment of $880 (110 head x 8% x $100/head).

The number of cull animals eligible for this program will be reduced by any breeding females that meet the eligibility criteria of the program that received payment under the Manitoba Slaughter Deficiency Program. Using the above example, if a producer received payments under the MSDP for 3 cows, the payment under this program would then be $580 ($880 calculated above less 3 cows x $100/head).

Question 7: When will I receive a payment under the Manitoba Cull Animal Program?

Answer: Payments under the provincial program will begin after your registration form is received and verified and the registration process has been completed for all producers.

Question 8: Am I required to register my herd or flock for this program?

Answer: Yes, registration is required for the Manitoba Cull Animal Program. Producers will be required to register their breeding herds/flocks so that their September 1, 2003 inventory can be determined. This information will then be used to calculate program payments.

The deadline for registration is February 2, 2004. Spot audits will be conducted to verify registration information.

Registration forms will be mailed to producers who participated in any of the Manitoba BSE programs. If you have not received a form by January 10, 2004, registration forms will be available from the Manitoba Agriculture, Food, and Rural Initiatives (MAFRI) website at: www.gov.mb.ca/agriculture. Producers can also pick up a copy of the registration form from their local agricultural office or from MCIC agency offices.

We are working with the federal government to ensure that the registration information can be used for both the Manitoba Cull Animal Program and Canada Cull Animal Program.

Registration forms must be returned to MCIC agency offices for processing.

Question 9: Do I include any animals culled after September 1st, when I provide a breeding herd inventory on the registration form?

Answer: Yes, all animals over the minimum age requirement as of September 1, 2003 should be listed as part of your eligible inventory – as your September 1, 2003 eligible inventory will be used to calculate your program payment.

Question 10: What documentation is needed to apply and receive payments under this program?

Answer: The registration form is all that is required for the Manitoba Cull Animal Program.

Question 11: What information is required to qualify for the program?

Answer: September 1, 2003 inventory of eligible livestock (collected through the registration process).

Question 12: Do I need to apply separately for the Canada Cull Animal Program?

Answer: No. We are working with the federal government to ensure that the registration information can be used for both programs. It is our understanding that the federal program will require an application form to be completed once your eligible livestock are slaughtered. Forms will be provided at the appropriate time.

Question 13: What are the differences between the federal and provincial program?

Answer: a). The provincial program does not require the cull animal to be slaughtered to receive compensation. Under the provincial program, producers will receive a payment based on their September 1, 2003 inventory of eligible animals.

b). Payment levels under the provincial program will be a flat rate based on a culling percentage (e.g. for beef: 8% of your eligible breeding herd times a maximum of $100 per head).

Under the federal program, a flat payment plus a per day feed allowance (for the period December 16, 2003 to May 24, 2004) per head is paid on the eligible cull percentage, but only after the animal has been slaughtered (e.g. for beef: 8% of your eligible female breeding herd times $95.40 per head plus $0.60 per day for animals sold for slaughter between December 16 and May 24 – the per day payment is also available for sales after May 24, 2004 – but only covers the period December 16 to May 24).

Question 14: Who do I contact for further information?

Contact your local MCIC agency office.

Manitoba Cull Animal Program (MCAP) and Canada Cull Animal Program (CCAP) Registration Form

A) GENERAL APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Surname or Business Name (owner of animals)	First Name	Initial	Municipality
			Social Insurance or Business Identification Number
Mailing Address			Telephone Number(s)
	Province	Postal Code	Cellular Number
Legal Location(s) of Breeding Herd (include section, township and range) 1)	2)	3)	Fax Number
Do you lease your animals? ☐ No ☐ Yes	If yes, to whom: Lessee Name		Lessee Telephone Number

B) BREEDING FEMALE INVENTORY: (Report only female animals, do not include male animals)

Number of Breeding Female Animals:		(1) Beef Cows	(1) Dairy Cows	(2) Other Ruminant Breeding Females (specify animal type, i.e. sheep, bison, etc.) Type:	Type:
Owned as of September 1, 2003					
Purchased since September 1, 2003	+				
Slaughtered since September 1, 2003	-				
Died since September 1, 2003	-				
Sold since September 1, 2003	-				
Total breeding females as of date of application*	=				

(1) Beef and dairy cattle breeding females as of September 1, 2003:
Cows that are 30 months and older or that have at least one offspring.
A dairy cow is defined as one coming from a herd producing milk for commercial dairy processing.

(2) Other ruminants (indicate animal type) as of September 1, 2003:
Bison, deer and elk breeding females that are 36 months and older or that have at least one offspring.
Sheep (ewes only) or goats (does only) that are 12 months and older or have had at least one offspring.

(*) This total must be the number of all breeding females as of the date of this application. **Inspectors may visit your farm to confirm this number.**

C) STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATION:

The Applicant acknowledges, consents and agrees that:
- I/we are the eligible applicant for the animals claimed in this application, or have duly authorized powers of attorney to sign on behalf of the owners of the animals, with a copy of the related powers of attorney being attached;
- I/we held the title on September 1, 2003 to the animals declared in this application;
- I/we file income tax in Manitoba as a farm operation;
- I/we understand and agree to the terms and conditions of the Manitoba Cull Animal Program;
- I/we understand and agree that this information will also be used for the Canada Cull Animal Program;
- I/we authorize the release of any information to the MCAP and CCAP administrators relating to my/our farming or business operations from any government department, agency or corporation, for the purpose of verifying information under this application;
- I/we authorize the release of information from the Manitoba Slaughter Deficiency Program for the purpose of verifying information for MCAP and CCAP; and
- the information given on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Date _____ Signature of Applicant(s) (Sign & Print) _____

The personal information requested on this application is collected under the authority of *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. Your personal information may be used to contact you about this application and to inform you about any other stabilization, assistance or disaster programs.

RETURN TO THE NEAREST MANITOBA CROP INSURANCE CORPORATION AGENCY OFFICE.

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MANITOBA CULL ANIMAL PROGRAM (MCAP)
and
CANADA CULL ANIMAL PROGRAM (CCAP)

Instructions for completing the registration form:

A) General Applicant Information (please print clearly)

- Name of the applicant. Must be the owner of animals and recipient of all payments;
- If completing the registration on behalf of a partnership list both partners (e.g. Smith, John and Smith, James);
- If a corporation application, record the corporation name;
- Complete address in full (include province (e.g. MB) and postal code);
- If individual, require a Social Insurance Number;
- If corporation or limited company, require a Business Identification Number;
- Telephone and/or fax numbers are required for verification;
- Record the legal description (section, township and range) for the location(s) of the breeding herd (e.g. NW 99-99-99);
- Indicate yes or no regarding leasing your animals to a third party. If yes, record the lessee name and telephone number.

B) Breeding Female Inventory (refer to the age requirements shown on the registration form)

- For each animal type record the number of breeding female animals (do not include bred heifers, bulls, etc. in these numbers) in the appropriate column. If animals other than beef or dairy print the type as indicated in the example below;
- Begin with the number of animals you owned as of September 1, 2003;
  Documentation may be required to verify the following information:
- Add the number of animals that were purchased since September 1, 2003;
- Subtract the number of animals that were slaughtered since September 1, 2003;
- Subtract the number of animals that died since September 1, 2003; and
- Subtract the number of animals that were sold since September 1, 2003;
- The resulting number should be your total number of breeding females as of the date of this application. **(Note that inspectors may visit your farm to confirm this number.)**

Example:

B) BREEDING FEMALE INVENTORY: (Report only female animals, do not include male animals)						
Number of Breeding Female Animals:		(1) Beef Cows	(1) Dairy Cows	(2) Other Ruminant Breeding Females (specify animal type, i.e. sheep, bison, etc.)		
				type: Sheep	type:	
Owned as of September 1, 2003		120		50		
Purchased since September 1, 2003	+	15				
Slaughtered since September 1, 2003	-	5		3		
Died since September 1, 2003	-	2				
Sold since September 1, 2003	-	0				
Total breeding females as of date of application*	=	128		47		

In this example, there are 128 cows and 47 sheep on the farm. Eight percent of the 120 cows and 12% of the 50 sheep (September 1/03) are the maximum cull animals for this program.

C) Statement of Certification

- Read the Statement of Certification and if you agree date and sign the registration form.
- The legal owner must sign for a corporation application.
- Only one partner of the partnership must sign the registration.

Note that the registration form is a one-part form, therefore, if you require a copy a photocopy must be made. The original registration form is to be delivered or mailed to the Manitoba Crop Insurance Corporation agency office. Refer to the reverse for an agency office nearest you.

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Crop Insurance Agency Information

Agency office locations are listed below:

ALTONA
Altona Mall
67 Second Street, N.E.
R0G 0B0
324-2800 (Fax 324-2803)

BEAUSEJOUR
20 First Street, S.
R0E 0C0
268-6001
(Fax 268-6060)

BIRTLE
726 Main Street, W.
R0M 0C0
842-7700 (Fax 842-7705)

CARMAN
65-3rd. Avenue, N.E.
R0G 0J0
745-5600 (Fax 745-5605)

DAUPHIN
27 Second Avenue, S.W.
R7N 3E5
622-2017 (Fax 622-2076)

DELORAINE
101 Finlay Avenue, E.
R0M 0M0
747-2889 (Fax 747-2050)

FISHER BRANCH
Main St. & Carpathia Avenue
R0C 0Z0
372-6619/372-6850
(Fax 372-6554)

GLENBORO
103 Broadway Street
R0K 0X0
827-8870
(Fax 827-8875)

GRANDVIEW
221 Roland Avenue
R0L 0Y0
546-5010 (Fax 546-5015)

HAMIOTA
48 Maple Avenue, E.
R0M 0T0
764-3000 (Fax 764-3005)

NEEPAWA
41 Main Street, W.
R0J 1H0
476-7050 (Fax 476-7094)

PORTAGE LA PRAIRIE
200-50-24th. Street, N.W.
R1N 3V7
239-3499 (Fax 239-3401)

SANFORD
8 Main Street, N.
R0G 2J0
736-5010 (Fax 736-5015)

SOMERSET
279 Carlton Street
R0G 2L0
744-4062 (Fax 744-4060)

SOURIS
95 First Street, N.
R0K 2C0
483-5060 (Fax 483-5065)

ST. PIERRE-JOLYS
Municipal Building
466 Sabourin Street, S.
R0A 1V0
433-7298 (Fax 433-3282)

STONEWALL
383 Main Street
R0C 2Z0
467-4710 (Fax 467-4715)

SWAN RIVER
120-6th. Avenue, N.
R0L 1Z0
734-9326 (Fax 734-2685)

VIRDEN
247 Wellington Street, W.
R0M 2C0
748-4280 (Fax 748-4284)

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